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SOURCE Krasnaya ZvezdaNEW SOVIET DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENSE IDENTIFIED

Col Gen V. Ye. BELOKOSKOV was identified for the first time in the So-
viet press (Krasnaya Zvezda, 15 April 1956) as "Deputy Minister of Defense
USSR" in an article concerning the presentation of awards to outstanding mil-
itary construction men.

Possibly indicative of BELOKOSKOV's position was the identification in
the same article of a captain as "Assistant for Work Among the Komsomol to
the Chief of the Political Section of the Central Construction Administra-
tions." BELOKOSKOV has previously been identified as "Colonel General In-
tendance" (Quartermaster Service), showing connection with that segment of
the Soviet military establishment responsible for construction matters.

This is also the first press identification of the "Central Construc-
tion Administrations," which, possibly, could be a combining under a Deputy
Minister of Defense (BELOKOSKOV) of all military construction activities.
The Soviet press has previously identified a Central Military Planning [Or-
ganization] (Tsentral'nyy Voenproyekt) and a Main Military Construction
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